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ENGINE AND METHOD OF OPERATION
WITH CYLINDER DEACTIVATION

Examiner: John T. Kwon

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 27, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are indicated in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.